Senate Study Bill 1090 - Introduced

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| | ON JUDICIARY BILL BY |
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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the statute of limitations for recovery
- 2 from injuries to a person or property from a licensed
- 3 veterinarian.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

- 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 169.21 Limitations of actions.
- 2 An action for professional negligence or malpractice for
- 3 injuries to a person or property against an individual licensed
- 4 under this chapter shall not be brought more than two years
- 5 after the date on which the claimant knew, or through the use
- 6 of reasonable diligence should have known, or received notice
- 7 in writing of the existence of, the injury for which damages
- 8 were sought in the action, whichever of the dates occurs first.
- 9 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 12 This bill provides a statute of limitations for an action
- 13 brought for professional negligence or malpractice against a
- 14 person licensed to practice veterinary medicine.
- 15 The bill provides that a person has two years after the date
- 16 the claimant knew, should have known, or received notice of the
- 17 injury for which damages are being sought to bring an action
- 18 against a person licensed to practice veterinary medicine.
- 19 Under current law, Code section 614.1(4) provides that
- 20 injuries to property shall be brought within five years of the
- 21 injury.